Republic of the Philippines
Tacloban City
**Office of the City Mayor**

Alfred S. Romualdez

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-03-014**
**series of 2020**

**AN EXECUTIVE ORDER DECLARING THE SUSPENSION OF CLASSES IN ALL LEVELS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN TACLOBAN CITY, ON MARCH 13-20, 2020**

**WHEREAS,** it is a declared policy of the State to uphold the people's constitutional rights to life, health, safety and property and to promote the general welfare of its people at all times;

**WHEREAS,** under Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991," every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare of the constituents.

**WHEREAS,** on March 08, 2020, the President issued Proclamation No. 922 which declared a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19 and the confirmation by the Secretary of Health of local transmissions in the Philippines;

**WHEREAS,** Proclamation No. 922 enjoins all government agencies and LGUs to render assistance, cooperation and mobilization of necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent and appropriate responses and measure to curtail and eliminate the COVID-19 threat;

**WHEREAS,** as a precautionary measure and in anticipation of any development that may arise out of this Public Health Emergency, a Localized Cancellation or Suspension of Classes should be implemented;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, ALFRED S. ROMUALDEZ,** City Mayor of Tacloban City, Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

1. Classes in all levels of public and private schools shall be suspended on MARCH 13-20, 2020, to give time and opportunity for School Officials to study and formulate preventive measures, infection control and response systems within their respective institutions;

2. Public and private School Officials shall undertake sanitation and disinfection of their respective school premises, in coordination, or with the assistance of the City Government;

3. To prevent the spread of COVID-19 and/or mitigate its effects and impact to the students, all education institutions are enjoined to comply with all the health advisories or orders from the duly constituted authorities.

**EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.**

**SO ORDERED,** this 12th day of March 2020, in the City of Tacloban, Philippines.

**ALFRED S. ROMUALDEZ**
City Mayor
Tacloban City